

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) An acidic protein food or drink comprising one or more of salts or saccharides selected from the group consisting of water-soluble polysaccharides, water-soluble basic salts, alkali metal salts of organic acids, basic monosaccharides and basic oligosaccharides, and acidic-soluble protein.

2. (Original) The acidic protein food or drink according to claim 1, wherein the acidic-soluble protein is that of soybean origin.

3. (Original) The acidic protein food or drink according to claim 1, wherein the acidity is in the range of pH 2.0-4.5.

4. (Original) The acidic protein food or drink according to claim 1, wherein the food or drink is a beverage, an aqueous phase-containing emulsion or a frozen dessert.

5. (Original) A powder material comprising one or more of salts or saccharides selected from the group consisting of water-soluble polysaccharides, water-soluble basic salts, alkali metal salts of organic acids, basic monosaccharides and basic oligosaccharides, and acidic-soluble protein.

6. (Original) An acidic-soluble protein material with relieved astringency comprising one or more of added salts or saccharides selected from the group consisting of water-soluble polysaccharides, water-soluble basic salts, alkali metal salts of organic acids, basic monosaccharides and basic oligosaccharides which are added thereto.

7. (Currently Amended) The material according to claim 5 ~~or~~ 6, which is an agent for preventing formation of dregs of cloudy-type fruit juice.

8. (New) The material according to claim 6, which is an agent for preventing formation of dregs of cloudy-type fruit juice.